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Applicant : Joseph C. Sher, et al.  
Appl. No. : 09/989,563  
Filed : November 19, 2001  
For : CLAMP CIRCUIT WITH FUSE  
OPTIONS  
Examiner : Quan Tra

Group Art Unit 2816

Response  
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**RESPONSE TO MAY 31, 2002 FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Arlington, Virginia 22202

Dear Sir:

In response to the May 31, 2002 Final Office Action, please reconsider the above-captioned patent application in view of the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner rejects Claims 1-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,483,486 to Javanifard, et al., in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,473,277 to Furumochi.

Claims 1-25 remain as previously submitted. As set forth in detail below, Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's rejections of the claims. Applicants respectfully request allowance of Claims 1-25.



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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS FILED						
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Total Claims	25	—	25	= 0 ×	\$18	= \$0
Independent Claims	6	—	6	= 0 ×	\$84	= \$0
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